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**TO:** Local Agency Formation Commission

**FROM:** Executive Officer

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SUBJECT: Municipal Service Review/Sphere of Influence Update

## **Background**

Government Code Sections 56425 and 56430 establish the procedural requirements for LAFCO to conduct sphere of influence updates and municipal service reviews. Section 56425 requires LAFCO to conduct periodic reviews of each agency's sphere of influence every five years. Section 56430 requires LAFCO to conduct municipal service reviews (MSRs) in preparation of the mandated sphere reviews. The law also requires that the initial round of MSRs and sphere of influence updates be completed for each agency within Orange County (34 cities and 28 special districts) by no later than January 1, 2008.

The following report provides an update on the progress the Commission has made in meeting the MSR/SOI deadlines. To date, Orange LAFCO has completed approximately 40 percent of the MSR/SOI updates for cities, and approximately 68 percent of the MSR/SOI updates for the County's special districts. Table 1, on the following page, provides a detailed breakdown of completed MSRs/SOIs and the dates they were approved by the Commission. MSR/SOI updates for the remaining Orange County cities and special districts are scheduled to be completed prior to the January 1, 2008 statutory deadline. Tables 2 and 3 within this report indicate the MSR/SOI studies currently in progress and those that remain to be completed.

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Table 1: Completed MSR/SOI Updates

|   | Date MSR   | Date SOI   |   |
|---|------------|------------|---|
| Cities  | Approved   | Approved   | Notes   |
| City of Brea  | 11/9/2005  | 11/9/2005  |   |
| City of Costa Mesa  | 7/12/2006  |            | SOI to be completed in late 2006.   |
| City of Huntington Beach  | 3/8/2006   | 3/8/2006   | SOI did not include Bolsa Chica area.   |
| City of Irvine  | 10/12/2005 | 10/12/2005 |   |
| City of Laguna Niguel   | 4/13/2005  | 4/13/2005  |   |
| City of Los Alamitos  | 4/13/2005  | , ,        | SOI to be completed in January 2007.  |
| City of Mission Viejo   | 3/8/2006   | 3/8/2006   |   |
| City of Newport Beach   | 7/12/2006  | , ,        | SOI to be completed in late 2006.   |
| City of Orange  | 4/13/2005  | 9/14/2005  | Unincorporated islands, open space in eastern part of SOI placed in special district study areas. |
| City of Rancho Santa Margarita                                    | 3/8/2006   | 3/8/2006   |   |
| City of San Clemente  | 3/8/2006   | 3/8/2006   |   |
| City of San Juan Capistrano                                       | 3/8/2006   | 3/8/2006   |   |
| City of Seal Beach  | 4/13/2005  | 7/12/2006  |   |
| City of Villa Park  | 4/13/2005  | 10/12/2005 |   |
| City of Yorba Linda   | 5/10/2006  | 5/10/2006  |   |
|   | Date MSR   | Date SOI   |   |
| Special Districts   | Approved   | Approved   | Notes   |
| Buena Park Library District                                       | 11/9/2005  | 11/9/2005  | Portion of district's SOI placed in joint special study area with City of Fullerton.              |
| East Orange County Water District                                 | 4/13/2005  | 12/14/2005 |   |
| Harbors, Beaches and Parks CSA 26                                 | 2/8/2006   | 2/8/2006   |   |
| Irvine Ranch Water District                                       | 4/13/2005  | 11/9/2005  | Consolidated with SCWD, effective 7/1/2006.   |
| Laguna Niguel Community Services<br>District                      | 4/13/2005  | 4/13/2005  | Dissolved, effective 5/16/2005.   |
| Orange County Cemetery District                                   | 11/9/2005  | 11/9/2005  |   |
| Orange County Vector Control                                      | 11/9/2005  | 11/9/2005  |   |
| Placentia Library District  | 11/9/2005  | 11/9/2005  |   |
| Rossmoor Community Services District                              | 4/13/2005  | 7/12/2006  |   |
| Rossmoor/Los Alamitos Sewer District                              | 4/13/2005  | 7/12/2006  |   |
| Santa Margarita Water District                                    | 3/8/2006   | 3/8/2006   |   |
| Santiago County Water District                                    | 4/13/2005  | 11/9/2005  | Consolidated with IRWD, effective 7/1/2006.   |
| Serrano Water District  | 4/13/2005  | 10/12/2005 |   |
| Silverado Modjeska Park & Recreation<br>District                  | 4/13/2005  | 9/14/2005  | Portion of district placed in joint special study area with City of Orange.                       |
| Sunset Beach Sanitary District                                    | 4/13/2005  | 3/8/2006   |   |
| Surfside Community Services Tax District                          | 9/14/2005  | 9/14/2005  |   |
| Surfside Stormwater Protection Tax                                | 9/14/2005  | 9/14/2005  |   |
| District  |            |            |   |
| District Trabuco Canyon Water District Yorba Linda Water District | 3/8/2006   | 3/8/2006   |   |

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Table 2, below, indicates the MSRs and related SOI updates which are currently in progress.

Table 2: In Progress MSR/SOI Updates

| Cities                                    | Projected LAFCO Hearing Date |
|---|------------------------------|
| City of Anaheim                           | 12/2006                      |
| City of Fountain Valley                   | 12/2006                      |
| City of Garden Grove                      | 12/2006                      |
| City of Santa Ana                         | 12/2006                      |
| City of Stanton                           | 12/2006                      |
| City of Westminster                       | 12/2006                      |
|   |                              |
| Special Districts                         | Projected LAFCO Hearing Date |
| Costa Mesa Sanitary District              | 11/2006                      |
| Garden Grove Sanitary District            | 12/2006                      |
| Mesa Consolidated Water District          | 11/2006                      |
| Midway City Sanitary District             | 12/2006                      |
| Orange County Water District              | TBD                          |
| Municipal Water District of Orange County | TBD                          |

Table 3, on the following page, lists those cities and special districts for which MSRs and sphere of influence updates have not yet begun. Existing staff resources are sufficient to complete all city and district MSR/SOI updates by the mandated January 1, 2008 deadline. Specific scheduling of the remaining MSR/SOI updates listed in Table 3 will be set by the Commission during the January 2007 LAFCO Strategic Planning Session.

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Table 3: Remaining City and Special District MSR/SOI Updates to be Completed

| Morroor opuates to be completed            |  |  |  |
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| Cities                                     |  |  |  |
| Cilico                                     |  |  |  |
| City of Aliso Viejo                        |  |  |  |
| City of Buena Park                         |  |  |  |
| City of Cypress                            |  |  |  |
| City of Dana Point                         |  |  |  |
| City of Laguna Beach                       |  |  |  |
| City of Laguna Hills                       |  |  |  |
| City of Laguna Woods                       |  |  |  |
| City of Lake Forest                        |  |  |  |
| City of La Palma                           |  |  |  |
| City of Placentia                          |  |  |  |
| City of Tustin                             |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Special Districts                          |  |  |  |
| Capistrano Bay Community Services District |  |  |  |
| El Toro Water District                     |  |  |  |
| Emerald Bay Community Services District    |  |  |  |
| Moulton Niguel Water District              |  |  |  |
| South Coast Water District                 |  |  |  |

## Recommendation

| 1. Receive and file staff report. |              |
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| Respectfully submitted,           |              |
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